

how to use your head to get a living carpet

how would you like a living carpet?

to add both splendor and natural beauty to your home

if you follow these few simple instructions

the carpet can be yours, yes yours

first find a hindu gentleman, preferably

one that speaks and can understand very little english

make the hindu understand your desire to get ahead

hindus generally know the ways of englishmen

and his conscious desires to do good in the world

to succeed and make a lot of money

for the next stage, yoga is better than hypnotism

but let's assume hypnotism has to be the case

tell your hindu you wish to use him for a little experiment

convince him of the benefits hypnotism has brought

to the western world

point out the possible spiritual advantages involved

if your hindu agrees put him in a deep state of trance

then search for his birth certificate

find the combination thereon for the removal of his head

once you have the hindu's head in your hands

make away unseen with the utmost dispatch

hide the hindu's head in the chimney

while making off to purchase a one pound packet

of dr niemann's hormone powder -- to be dissolved in water

pour the contents into an empty slops bucket

and add two pints of water

place the bucket by the hearth in your lounge

and let the hair hang over one side

in minutes the hair will start to grow

so you must get helpers and start the plaiting right away

if you wish to apply a pattern to your carpet

place large shallow trays on the floor

and allow the hair to fall into them

hair dyes can be used in the normal way

all sorts of exciting designs can be achieved

by the placing of trays in the correct positions

on the floor

fairly soon the carpet will be growing down along the hall

a little well timed manipulation is needed

to direct chosen strands of hair into different rooms

assuming all rooms open out into the hall

carpet as many rooms as you wish

when you have suitably carpeted throughout

make sure the hair does not pile up

at your back door or sink

hair that has grown into water pipes

can cost a lot of money to have removed

make sure the hair does not grow under the window

frames and doors

if the hair grows over the garden it will smother the grass

and probably kill your neighbor's best tomato plants
trapped birds can also cause a lot of trouble
so with all speed and garden shears
chop off, in one stroke, the hair
in the region where the hindu's shoulders would have been
return unseen with the head just as quickly as possible
rejoin the hindu's head upon the hindu's shoulders
bring the hindu respectfully out of the trance
and ask him if he remembers anything
the hindu will probably tell you he had been on a long
voyage, at sea
on a makeshift raft with a small sail
that looked as if it were an inflated cheek
the type that blew the clouds along
on very old maps
and when he spotted a deserted tropical island
the raft drew near, and as the craft did so
the palm trees ran down the beach to meet him.

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Peluca

They are dancing
 dragging their leaden shoes
girls in one another's arms
 with breasts showing silver ridges
 worm tracks, intaglios
held in the webs of silk halters.
like goldfish their mouths give out bubbles.
behind them the band has sunken into the ground
 so that only their flowers show
 a pair of crawling suspenders
 and a scalp that struggles to form itself
 into a pair of lips.
a livery boy delivers the rumor
 that someone sitting on a hilltop
 has charmed an airplane down
but they pass through him -- he
 doesn't know what to do -- until
 he bends into soap.
meanwhile the bankers sweating in their striped pants
 like swelling balloons
 are turning dials against the lights,
clenched against tomorrow.
the aura goes dim
 and they begin peeling off their garters